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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: THE OTHER POSSIBILITY

REREADING MY RECENT CABLES I NOTE AN INCREASINGLY OPTIMISTIC TREND; IT'S A NATURAL FAULT.YOU KNOW THAT THE SITUATION HERE IS VERY DICEY. IF WE SUCCEED IN NEAR FUTURE, GREAT. IF NOT, THERE ARE THOSE HERE WHO ARE BOTH WILLING AND ABLE TO PULL THE PLACE DOWN AROUND THEIR EARS. I THINK WE ARE RIGHT TO HOLD OFF THE SYRIANS BUT WHAT I'M WORKING WITH HERE IS A BUNCH OF OVER-LOQUASIOUS, SELF-SATISFIED, AND OVER-AGE LEADERS WHO HAVEN'T HAD A NEW IDEA IN TWENTY YEARS AND WHO EXPECT SOMEONE ELSE NOT ONLY TO RESCUE THEM BUT TO PRESERVE THEIR POSITIONS OF POWER.
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